

Amendments to the Drawings

The drawings have been amended to address the objections of the draftsperson.
Replacement drawings are attached hereto.

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is being submitted in response to the *Office Action* mailed June 13, 2006. Claims 1-35 are pending in the application. In the *Office Action*, the Abstract is objected to. Also, Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 13-35 are allowed. Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 13-35. Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejections.

Applicant has amended claim 1. No new matter has been added in the Amendment. Support for the Amendment may be found in the Specification and the claims as originally filed. Reconsideration of the currently rejected claims, 1-12, is respectfully requested in light of the amendment above and the remarks below.

I. Abstract

The abstract was objected to in the *Office Action*. Applicant has revised the abstract and respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the abstract.

II. Claims 1-12

Claims 1-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite the step of "causing an indication of the fault to be output." Support for the amendment can be found, for example, at page 8, lines 30-33 of the specification as filed. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claim 1. Claims 2-12 depend from and further limit claim 1 and are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 1. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 2-12.

III. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-12 are allowable. A favorable Office Action is respectfully solicited.

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Should the Examiner have any comments, questions or suggestions of a nature necessary to expedite the prosecution of the application, or to place the case in condition for allowance, the Examiner is courteously requested to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below

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